- 34 -

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

An image-pickup apparatus comprising:
 an input unit which receives an instruction from a user;

an image-pickup unit which takes a picture of a subject to obtain image data;

5

10

15

20

25

a medium-selecting unit which selects one of recording media in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit, the one of the recording media recording image data which meets a predetermined condition; and

a recording control unit which records in the one of the recording media selected by the medium-selecting means the image data which meets the predetermined condition.

2. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a condition-selecting unit which selects a condition among plural conditions in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit; and wherein

the medium-selecting unit selects a recording medium among the recording media in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit, the recording medium recording image data which meets the condition selected by the condition-selecting unit, and

the recording control unit records the image data which meets the condition selected by the

- 35 -

condition-selecting unit in the recording medium selected by the medium-selecting unit.

3. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

5

10

15

20

25

a storing unit which stores information indicative of a relationship between the recording medium to be selected by the medium-selecting unit and the predetermined condition, and wherein

the recording control unit records the image data which meets the predetermined condition in the recording medium specified based on the information of the relationship stored in the storing unit.

4. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 3, further comprising:

a condition-selecting unit which selects a condition among plural conditions in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit, and wherein

the medium-selecting unit selects a recording medium among the plural recording media in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit, the recording medium recording image which meets the condition selected by the condition selecting unit,

the storing unit stores information indicative of a relationship between the recording medium to be selected by the medium-selecting unit and the condition selected by the condition-selecting unit, and

the recording control unit records, in the

recording medium specified based on the information of the relationship stored in the storing unit, the image data which meets the condition specified based on the information of the relationship stored in the storing unit.

5. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

5

10

15

20

25

a mode-setting unit which sets one of plural photographing modes, and wherein

the image-pickup unit takes a picture of the subject in one of the photographing modes,

the medium-selecting unit selects one of the plural recording media in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit, the one of the plural recording media recording image data obtained by the image-pickup unit in a predetermined photographing mode set by the mode-setting unit, and

the recording control unit records the image data obtained by the image-pickup unit in the predetermined photographing mode set by the mode-setting unit in the recording medium selected by the medium-selecting unit.

6. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

the medium-selecting unit selects a recording medium from among the plural recording media in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit, the recording medium recording image data

- 37 -

including a predetermined subject, and

5

10

15

20

25

the recording control unit records the image data obtained by the image-pickup unit including the predetermined subject in the recording medium selected by the medium-selecting unit.

7. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

the medium-selecting unit selects a recording medium from among the plural recording media in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit, the recording medium recording image data including a predetermined photographing condition, and

the recording control unit records the image data obtained by the image-pickup unit including the predetermined photographing condition in the recording medium selected by the medium-selecting unit.

8. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a determining unit which determines whether or not a recording medium has been selected by the medium-selecting unit, and wherein

when the determining unit determines that the recording medium has not been selected, the recording control unit records the image data which meets the condition in a predetermined recording medium.

9. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the recording media comprise

- 38 -

a detachable recording medium.

5

10

15

20

25

10. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 9, further comprising:

a determining unit which determines whether or not the detachable recording medium has been installed, when the recording medium selected by the medium-selecting unit is the detachable recording medium, and wherein

when the determining unit determines that the detachable recording medium has not been installed, the recording control unit records the image data which meets the predetermined condition in a recording medium other than the detachable recording medium.

- 11. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the recording media comprises an internal recording medium.
- 12. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

an outputting unit which sends the image data obtained by the image-pickup unit to an external device having a recording medium which is one of the plural recording media.

- 13. The image-pickup apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the recording media comprise different types of recording media.
- 14. An image recording apparatus arranged for using plural recording media, comprising:

a recording medium storing image data;
an input unit which receives an instruction from
a user;

a medium-selecting unit which selects one of recording media in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit, the one of the recording media recording the image data which is stored in the recording medium and meets a predetermined condition; and

5

10

15

20

25

a recording control unit which records the image data which is stored in the recording medium and meets the predetermined condition in the recording medium selected by the medium-selecting unit.

15. The image recording apparatus according to claim 14, further comprising:

a determining unit which determines whether or not the recording medium in which the image data that meets the predetermined condition has been stored is the one of the recording media selected by the medium-selecting unit; and wherein

when the determining unit determines that the recording medium in which the image data meeting the predetermined condition has been stored is not the one of the recording media selected by the medium-selecting unit, the recording control unit records the image data which meets the predetermined condition in the one of the recording media selected by the medium-selecting

unit.

5

10

20

25

16. The image recording apparatus according to claim 14, further comprising:

a condition-selecting unit which selects a condition among plural conditions in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit; and wherein

the medium-selecting unit selects a recording medium among the recording media, the recording medium recording image data which meets the condition selected by the condition-selecting unit, and

the recording control unit records the image data which meets the condition selected by the condition-selecting unit in the recording medium selected by the medium-selecting unit.

15 17. The image recording apparatus according to claim 14, further comprising:

a storing unit which stores information indicative of a relationship between the recording medium to be selected by the medium-selecting unit and the predetermined condition, and wherein

the recording control unit records the image data which meets the predetermined condition in the recording medium specified based on the information indicative of the relationship and stored in the storing unit.

18. The image recording apparatus according to claim 17, further comprising:

a condition-selecting unit which selects a condition among plural conditions in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit; and wherein

the medium-selecting unit selects a recording medium among the plural recording media in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit, the recording medium recording the image data which meets the condition selected by the condition-selecting unit,

5

10

15

2.0

25

the storing unit stores information indicative of a relationship between the recording medium to be selected by the medium-selecting unit and the condition selected by the condition-selecting unit, and

the recording control unit records, in the recording medium specified based on the information of the relationship stored in the storing unit, the image data which meets the condition specified based on the information of the relationship stored in the storing unit.

19. The image recording apparatus according to claim 14, wherein

the image data includes photographing-mode information,

the medium-selecting unit selects one of the recording media in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit for recording image data including a predetermined photographing-mode information, and

the recording control unit records the image data including the predetermined photographing-mode information in one of the recording media selected by the medium-selecting unit.

20. The image recording apparatus according to claim 14, wherein

5

10

15

20

25

the medium-selecting unit selects a recording medium from among the recording media in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit, the recording medium recording image data including a predetermined subject, and

the recording control unit records the image data obtained by the image-pickup unit and including the predetermined subject in the recording medium selected by the medium-selecting unit.

21. The image recording apparatus as according to claim 14, wherein

the image data includes photographing information, the medium-selecting unit selects one of the recording media in accordance with the instruction received by the input unit, the one of the recording media recording image data including a predetermined photographing information, and

the recording control unit records the image data including the predetermined photographing information in the one of the recording media selected by the medium-selecting unit.

- 22. The image recording apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the recording media comprise a detachable recording medium.
- 23. The image recording apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the recording media comprise an internal recording medium.

5

10

15

20

25

24. The image recording apparatus according to claim 14, further comprising:

outputting unit for sending the image data stored in the recording medium to an external device having a recording medium which is one of the plural recording media.

- 25. The image recording apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the recording media comprise different types of recording media.
- 26. A computer program for controlling a computer in an image-pickup apparatus which obtains plural image data, which program comprising:

a program code for making the computer to select image data which meets a predetermined condition from among the plural image data;

a program code for making the computer to select a recording medium from among plural recording media in accordance with instruction given by a user, the recording medium recording the selected image data; and

a program code for making the computer to record the selected image data in the selected recording

medium.

5

25

27. A computer program for controlling a computer in an image recording apparatus with a recording medium in which plural image data are stored, the computer program comprising:

a computer program for making the computer to select image data which meets a predetermined condition from among the plural image data stored in the recording medium;

a computer program for making the computer to select a recording medium from among plural recording media in accordance with instruction given by a user, the recording medium recording the selected image data; and

a computer program for making the computer to record the selected image data in the selected recording medium.

8. An image-pickup method comprising: obtaining image data:

selecting a recording medium from among plural recording media in accordance with instruction given by a user, the recording medium recording image data which meets a predetermined condition;

selecting image data which meets the predetermined condition from among the obtained image data; and

recording the selected image data in the selected recording medium.

29. An image recording method comprising:

5

10

selecting a recording medium from among plural recording media in accordance with instruction given by a user, the recording medium recording image data which meets a predetermined condition;

selecting image data which meets the predetermined condition from among plural image data stored in a recording medium; and

recording the selected image data in the selected recording medium.